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SUBJECT: CODEL SPEECH

PLEASE PASS FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO OFFICE OF CONG. BILL ALEXANDER, 227 CANNON BLDG., TEL: 225-4076. FROM CODEL:

1. IN ADDRESSING THE SECOND OCEAN FORUM ON AUG 29, 1975 B.A. SAID, QUOTE, WITH FOOD AND FUEL IN SHORTAGE FROM TRADITIONALSOURCES OF SUPPLY ON THE EARTH'S SURFACE RAPID EXPLORATION FOR MINERALS IS UNDERWAY ON THE OCEAN FLOOR WHICH COVER 75 PER CENT OF THE PLANET. THE SA IS THE LAST FRONTIER FOR DEVELOPMENT OF THE REQUIREMENTS OF HUMANITY THE EXISTING LAWS OF THE SEA WERE FORMULATED TO REGULATE THE ACTIVITY OF BY-GONE ERA. THESE LAWS ARE NOW INADEQUATE TO MEET THE RAPID DEVELOPMENT OF THE OCEANS, AND THE RESOURCES WITHIN IT. END QUOTE.

2. EMPHASIS PLACED ON FOLLOWING SUBJECTS:
A. DEFENSE POLICY, NUCLEAR WEAPONS AND INCREASED JAPANESE MILITARY SPENDING.
B. TRADE DEFICITS AND INT'L TRADE.
C. FOOD AND ENERGY FROM THE SEA-COOPERATION IN DEEP SEA MINING.
D. TRANSPORTATION MATTERS - SECURITY OF SEA LANES AND PASSAGE THRU INT'L STRAITS.
3. ESTABLISHMENT OF BI-LATERAL ECONOMIC ZONES.

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3. FOLLOWING IS COPY OF RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY UNANIMOUS

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VOTE OF DELEGATES:
IN VIEW OF RECENT TRENDS ATTACHING GREATER IMPORTANCE TO MARITIME PROBLEMS, THE UNITED STATES AND JAPAN, LOCATED RESPECTIVELY AT THE EASTERN AND WESTERN SHORE OF THE PACIFIC OCEAN-THE LARGEST OCEAN IN THE WORLD-AND AS THE TWO OF THE GREATEST MARITIME POWERS IN THE WORLD, HAVE COMMON INTEREST IN RESOLVING OCEAN PROBLEMS. IT IS THEREFORE NATURAL THAT OURTWO COUNTRIES SINCERELY HOPE THAT THE CONFERENCE OF THE LAW OF THE SEA WILL REACH EARLY SUCCESS AND THAT A FAIR AND EQUITABLE NEW REGIME WILL BE ESTABLISHED. FOR THIS PURPOSE, IT IS MOST TIMELY THAT BOTH SIDES WOULD DEEPEN THE KNOWLEDGE OF OCEAN PROBLEMS AND PROMOTE COOPERATION BETWEEN THE TWO PEOPLES.
IT SHOULD BE REACALLED THAT THE RANKING MEMBERS OF THE JAPANESE DIET, U.S. SENATE AND CONGRESS, BUSINESS LEADERS AND SCHOLARS OF BOTH COUNTRIES MET IN WASHINGTON JANUARY, 1974 AND HELD FRUITFUL EXCHANGES OF VIEWS. ON THAT OCCASION, IT WAS AGREED THAT THE NEXT JAPAN-U.S. OCEAN FORUM BE HELD IN TOKYO. THE SECOND JAPAN-U.S. OCEAN FORUM, THEREFORE, WAS HELD FROM AUGUST 27TH TO 29TH AT HOTEL OKURA IN TOKYO.
PRINCIPAL PARTICIPANTS FROM THE JAPANESE SIDE INCLUDED MR. T. MIKI, THE PRIME MINISTER, MR. E. SHIINA, VICE-PRESIDENT OF LIBERAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY, MR. T. OKUBO, CHAIRMAN OF THE JAPANESE DIET MARITIME LEAGUE AND OTHER IMPORTANT MEMBERS OF THE JAPANESE DIET, TOGETHER WITH MR. S. OHYA, THE PRESIDENT OF TEIJIN O., LTD., MR. K. KOMAI, CHAIRMAN, COMMITTEE OF OCEANIC RESOURCES, KEIDANREN (FEDERATION OF ECONOMIC ORGANIZATIONS) AND ANUMBER OF LEADING BUSINESSMEN AS WELL AS SCHOLARS. THE UNITED STATES PARTICIPANTS INCLUDED SENATOR BENNETT JOHNSTON AND CONGRESSMEN CLEM ZABLOCKI, BILL ALEXANDER JR., MIKE MCCORMACK, BOB WILSON, AS WELL AS ADMIRAL TOM MOORER, FORMER CHAIRMAN OF THE JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF, DAVID ABSHIRE, CHAIRMAN OF THE CENTER FOR STRATEGIC AND INTERNATIONAL STUDIES OF GEORGETOWN
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UNIVERSITY AND MANY TOP SCHOLARS AND BUSINESSMEN PARTICIPATED.

THE PARTICIPANTS EXPRESS GREAT SATISFACTION IN THE STRENGTHENING OF THE FRIENDLY AND COOPERATIVE TIES BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES IN THE FIELDS OF SECURITY, POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC AFFAIR, TECHNOLOGY, ETC. THE JAPANESE SIDE EXPRESSES ITS FAITH IN THE

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RELIABILITY OF THE U.S. NUCLAR DETERRENT. THE
UNITED STATES SIDE DECLARES THAT THERE SHOULD BE
NO CHANGE IN U.S. PLLLICY OF NUCLEAR GUARANTEE.
THE PARTICIPANTS RECOGNIZE THE UNIQUE-
NESS OF THE JAPANESE - U.S. SECURITY TRATY AND
NOTE ITS PROVISION THAT THE PARTIES WILL SEEK TO
ELIMINATE CONFLICIT IN THEIR INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC
POLICIES AND WILL ENCOURAGEECONOMIC COLLABORATION
BETWEEN THEMSELVES. THE U.S. PARTICIPANTS PRAISE
THE REDUCTION OF THE TRADE IMBALANCE AND WELCOME
JAPANESE INTEREST IN INCREASING THEIR OWN SELF-
DEFENSE EFFORTS. THE PARTICIPANTS EXCHANGED
CANDID VIEWS ON PROBLEMS OF MUTUAL SECURITY,
POLITICAL TOPICS, ISSUES OF THE LAW OF THE SEA,
AS WELL AS OCEAN DEVELOPMENT AND OTHER ECONOMIC
PROBLEMS. THE PARTICIPANTS REAFFIRM THE COMMON
POSITIONS OF THE TWO COUNTRIES IN THE VARIOUS FIELDS
OF MARITIME AFFAIRS AND RECOGNIZE THAT THERE ARE
MANY AREAS OF COMMON CONCERN IN WHICH BOTH COUNTRIES
SHOULD STRENGTHEN FURTHER COOPERATION. AS A RESULT
MUTUALUNDERSTANDING WAS BROADENED AT THIS SECOND
JAPAN-U.S. OCEAN FORUM.

THE PARTICIPANTS REALIZE THAT JAPANESE PEOPLE ARE
UNQIUELY DEPENDENT ON THE SEA TO SECURE FOODSTUFFS,
NATURAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY THAT ARE ESSENTIAL
FOR THEIR SURVIVAL, AND THAT FOR THESE REASONS, THE
SECURITY OF THE SEA COMMUNICATION IS OF VITAL
IMPORTANCE, PARTICULARLY TO JAPAN.
BOTH SIDES AFFIRM THEIR POSITION THAT THE MAJOR
PROBLEMS OF THE SEA INCLUDE THE WIDTH OF THE
TERRITORIAL SEA, THE QUESTION OF THE ECONOMIC ZONE
AND UNIMPEDED TRANSIT PASSAGE THROUGH THE STRAITS
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USED FOR INTERNATIONAL NAVIGATION. THE PARTICIPANTS
BELIEVE THAT THESE VITAL PROBLEMS SHOULD BE RESOLVED
AT THE NEXT SESSION OF THE LAW OF THE SEA CONFERENCE.
THE PARTICIPANTS URGE THAT ALL NATIONS AVOID
PRECIPITATE UNILATERALACTION THAT COULD JEOPARDIZE
THE RESOLUTION OF THESE PROBLEMS. THE PARTICIPANTS
RECOGNIZE THE IMPORTANCE OF RESPECTING TRADITIONAL
FISHING RIGHTS. BOTH SIDE ACKNOWLEDGE THE NEED
TO INTENSIFY COOPERATIVE EFFORTS IN ORDER TO
ESTABLISH A NEW ORDER OF LAW OF THE SEA.
THE PARTICIPANTS EXPRESS A KEEN INTEREST IN THE
DESIRE TO CEMENT CLOSER BONDS BETWEEN THE THROUGH
SUCH FORUMS AS THE JAPAN-UNITED STATES OCEAN FORUM.
THE BONDS OF FRIENDSHIP TO PROMOTE MUTUAL UNDERSTAND-
ING AND COOPERATION SHOULD EXTEND TO NEIGHBORING

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COUNTRIES OF ASIA AND THE PACIFIC.
IT WAS AGREED BY BOTH DELEGATIONS TO CONVENE THE
3RD JAPAN-UNITED STATES OCEAN FORUM AT AN APPROPRIATE
TIME IN 1976.
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